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APPENDIX THREE:
TABULATED OPEN ENDED RESPONSES

WHAT COULD MDT DO BETTER

<u>Comment</u>	<u># of Responses</u>
Winter Maintenance	
Winter Maintenance	67
Plow earlier	26
Use sand/not gravel	15
Plow more frequently/on weekends	10
Plow Frontage Rd Bozeman to Belgrade	3
Don't use liquid de-icer	3
Difficult to maintain because of severe weather	2
Winter Maintenance MT/Idaho Border	1
Snow removal I90 Billings to WY line	1
Snow removal north of Glasgow	1
Sand hills I90 Hardin to Billings	1
Plow Highway 93 before 8:30	1
Plow Aberdeen Exchange earlier	1
Plow Highway 13 earlier	1
Plow Jordan area earlier	1
Snow plows need brighter/higher lights	1
Open Beartooth Pass earlier	1
Winter Roadway Information	
Updated info on winter rd conditions	44
More telephone lines to call for rd conditions	3
Close roads if dangerous from snow/ice	2
Use TV to report rd conditions	1
Rest Area Maintenance	
Rest areas open year round	40
More Rest Areas	30
Improve Rest Areas	18
Clean Rest Areas	14
Provide Services at Rest areas	5
Keep Rest areas well-lit	3
Landscape	2
(coffee, vending machines, phones, attendants)	
Changing tables for infants at Rest areas	1
Chemicals used in Rest Areas too strong	1
Put Rest areas closer to road, more wheelchair accessible	1
Build Rest areas so both lanes of traffic can use	1
Better supervision of Rest Area employees	1
Have Welcome Centers at State entry points	1

More Rest areas between Butte, Billings	1
Open Rest areas between Great Falls, Wolf Creek	1

Striping

Keep striping updated	58
Use better material to stripe (thermoplastic)	4
Better striping between Bozeman, Livingston	2
Striping between Eureka, Missoula	1
Striping on Highway 3 is dotted where it should be solid	1

Improve Roads

Widen roads	21
Upgrade roads	14
More shoulder	10
Widen Highway 93 ASAP	7
More shoulder Laurel to Red Lodge	3
More turn lanes, stop lights in heavy traffic areas	3
Upgrade on rotation basis with busiest roads first	2
Need 4 lane between Billings, Great Falls	2
Widen Highway in Jordan area	2
Widen Hamilton to Missoula w/turn-outs	2
More lanes in certain areas like Bitterroot	1
More 4 lanes	1
Need 4 lane between Everal, Polson	1
Need 4 lane between Hamilton, Whitefish	1
Need 4 lane between 3 Forks, Townsend	1
Widen highway between Great Falls, Belt	1
Widen state Highways Havre area	1
Widen roads along hi-line	1
Widen Highway from Malta to Billings	1
Slow lane on Highway 93	1
More shoulder Darby to Sula	1
Detour in Conrad is bad	1

General Maintenance

More early maintenance	17
Better maintenance south of Billings to WY	3

Signs

More noticeable signs	14
Lower speed limit	5
Watch speed limits	4
Paint signs so visible at night	4
More patrol	3

More signs about speed limit	1
Signs between Butte, Anaconda should be higher	1
Pintler spelled 2 ways on signs	1
Don't arbitrarily replace signs (removal in Missoula area was waste)	1
Spend less on new signs	1
Too many signs	1
Signs to pull over if more than 3 cars behind you	1
Sign on Highway 93 to turn on lights	1
Put railroad signs where needed	1
Stop signs on Highway 93, Highway 12, US 93	1
Place no passing signs earlier	3

Construction

Better traffic control at construction	8
Don't shut large amount of freeway for small amount of repair	5
Earlier warnings re: construction	4
Advance notice of areas of road repair	3
Put bump signs where bumps actually are	2
Lockwood to King Ave. W. construction	2
Fix bumps instead of putting up sign	1

Safety

Reflectors on center lines	5
More guardrails	4
Bumps on center and shoulder to alert sleeping/distracted	2
Repair bridges	2
More lighting by overpasses	1
Guardrails between Lincoln and Clearwater	1

Surface Smoothness

Fix Potholes	71
Smooth rough, rutted roads	36
Better road surfaces	21
Improve Highway 93	10
Get rid of cement between Bozeman, Manhattan	9
Smooth between Billings, Missoula	7
Improve sections of Belgrade to Butte	5
Improve Highway 12 out of Helena, McDonald Pass	4
Highway 2 needs work	4
Find out why ruts reappear so soon after repair	3
Fix Potholes in Bozeman, Livingston, Great Falls areas	2
Fix Potholes between 3 Forks, Townsend	2
Better method than chip sealing for patching	2
Maintain driving lane	2
Replace cement highways	2

Resurface, widen secondary highways between Ennis, Cameron	2
Repave I 15 Butte to Dillon	2
Pave Columbus to Joliet	2
Improve Great Falls to Helena	2
Give \$ and priority to MT 200	2
Fix Potholes in Sanders Co.	1
Fix Potholes in Lakeside area	1
Fix Potholes on Highway 10	1
Fix Potholes in Whitefish area	1
Fix Potholes in Deer Lodge area	1
Fix Potholes Missoula to Great Falls	1
Fix Potholes/truck tracks I 90 W of Hardin	1
Smooth Avon to Helena	1
Smooth Highway 1 near Anaconda	1
Smooth between Billings, Custer	1
Find a way to surface without ruining windshields	1
Level high spots between Livingston, Whitehall	1
Get rid of gravel between Opportunity/Anaconda/Butte	1
Improve Cut Bank to Browning	1
Improve state roads in Sidney/Glendive area	1
Improve Highway 12 between White SS, Park Co	1
Improve Miles City to Broadus	1
Why was Highway 80 only oiled	1
Repave Butte to Anaconda	1
Repair Plentywood to Canada	1
Repair state Highway Jackson to Dillon	1
Great Falls/Havre/Glasgow widen, smooth, stripe	1
Sections of Highway 43 resurfaced, banked wrong	1
Fix bumps between bridges, interstate	1
Replace secondary roads in Thompson Falls area	1

Speed of Maintenance

Make repairs faster	27
Make repairs early in spring	4
Do repairs in early hours or at night	3
Work 24 hr shifts to get work done	1

Debris Removal

Clear roadkill debris	38
Clean areas not adopted	13
Have prisoners clean roads	4
Better deer fences	2
Involve communities in cleaning highway debris	2
Clean barrow pits	2
Clear trees from right of ways	1

Remove rocks after winter from I 90	1
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Roadside Maintenance

Weed Control/Mowing	19
Less Spraying/More Mowing	3
Spray weeds Miles City to Glendive	1
Clear weeds Laurel to Silesia	1
Plant more trees along roads	1

Enforce Laws

Control semi truck traffic	15
Enforce weight laws	2
Keep large RVs off state Highways	1

Use Better Material

Don't skimp on initial construction	6
Better road material for building	6
Make safety not capacity the priority	2

Management and Resources

Need more resources for maintenance	14
Need more workers	12
Improve management	10
Too many supervisors compared to workers	6
Employees drive around too much, don't work	4
Too many workers	3
Inspectors not doing their jobs	3
Fire person running highway dept.	1
Hire qualified workers/keep up to date	1
Don't contract with out of state companies	1
Spend more on secondary roads	7
Spend more \$ on snow plows	4
Find cheaper ways to do things	3
Contract as much maintenance as possible	3
Assign contracts early so work is done by winter	2
Use gas tax on highways	2
Spend \$ on maintenance not expansion	2
Make bikepaths	2
Pass sales tax	1
Ticket bad drivers	1
Fines for littering	1
More funds to public transportation	1
Phones on no access roads	1
Emergency phone service	1
Get taxpayer input on stoplight locations	1

Get more public input	1
Stop improving so people won't move here	1
Better tourist information	1
Eliminate vandalism	1
Build roads to specifications	1

General Positive Comments

Doing as well as they can	22
Doing a good job	11
Always room for improvement	2

Don't Know or No Response

Don't Know	27
Can't think of anything	28
No Response	231

THINGS MDT IS DOING WELL NOW

<u>Comment</u>	<u># of Responses</u>
Winter Maintenance	
Snow removal	61
Winter Maintenance	55
Keep roads open	8
Main Highways clear in winter	4
Snow removal east of Missoula	3
Everything except sanding	3
Winter Maintenance between Red Lodge, Billings	2
Snow removal in Gallatin Valley	1
Snow removal in Seeley	1
Good sanding west of Whitefish	1
Butte to Boulder well maintained in winter	1
Early plowing around Ravalli	1
Early plowing on Boulder Hill	1
Plowing on 212	1
Sand Hills	1
Close roads when weather requires.	1
Winter Roadway Information	
Road/Weather Information	13
Surface Smoothness	
Good resurfacing	14
Potholes filled	7
Smooth Roads	6
Paving in Deer Lodge	1
Striping	
Striping	17
Striping around Lakeside	1
New Roads	
Building new roads	10
New Four Corners Rd	2
Construction	
Traffic control during construction	6
Timely construction	5

Wider Roads	
Wider Roads	7
Rid of sharp shoulders	2
Trying to do more 4 lanes	1
Widening, resurfacing near Hinsdale	1
Turn Lanes on Lost Trail Pass	1
Safety	
More guardrails	2
Rest Areas	
Maintain Rest Areas	16
Landscape Rest Areas	1
Special Programs	
Save Secondaries Program working well	1
Employee Safety Program	1
Adopt a Highway Program	2
Getting input from this survey	2
Deer test section north of Missoula	1
Lifting speed limit	2
Roadsides	
Mowing	12
Debris Removal	
Remove debris	28
Signs	
Signs	34
Watch for falling rock	1
General Maintenance	
General road maintenance/repair	62
Maintained Interstate	16
Roadside maintenance	11
General improvement of Highway 93	8
Work around Lavina, Great Falls, Eddies Corner	4
Highways around Lewistown	2
Improvement in Cut Bank/Browning	2
Improving Helena to Wolf Creek	2
Good job in NW Montana	2
Changes to Interstate near Great Falls	1
Improvements on Highway 2	1
Improvements on Highway 3	1

Malta to Billings	1
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Bridges

Bridge Repair	6
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Positive Comments

Doing a good job	116
Doing best they can with resources available	42
Doing an adequate job	12
They try	10
Meets expectations	6
Spend money well	3
Dept. is progressive	2
Dept. Employees	1

Don't Know or No Response

Can't think of anything	11
Don't Know	27
Nothing	43
No Response	331

APPENDIX FOUR

COMPLETE LISTING OF OPEN ENDED RESPONSES

The responses listed in this appendix are intended to be as close to the original response as possible, and therefore may not be grammatically correct.

Things MDT Could Do Better

Do not use the black liquid deicer on the freeway-very dangerous in our area, Missoula it does not work. Snow removal is excellent-east deceiving on the off ramp. Better to use gravel. Vehicles slide

Some of rest stops need more cleaning need better sand or gravel on roads as it ruins windshield

Outside line stripping - more troopers patrolling

They are doing an excellent job

Letting you know road conditions beforehand, especially winter

Four line between Great Falls and Billings highway between Belt and Great Falls needs to be wider

Cannot think of anything now, have been happy with the highways

Ice removal, taking care of winter conditions

Use a different chemical in rest areas, as it is too strong for people with a respiratory problem, put facilities closer to road so it is wheelchair accessible.

Better signs that are more noticeable

Striping on narrow highways in the Jordan area O.K. but highway too narrow. Actually doing a pretty good job for as big as the state is. Traveled in a snowstorm from Glasgow to Malta

Keep weeds in control, keep roadways clear

Fixing potholes; tire debris

More striping on hill between Bozeman and Livingston or heavier painting - reflectors on the center lines - gravel breaking windows show us where stop lights should be - we pay the taxes

The rest areas, they are terrible

Improving roads & potholes and ruts & keep them clear

Letting people know where road repair is taking place

Winter maintenance conditions are very important and need improvement around the Montana and Idaho border

Clean up roadkill faster

Areas other than those that are adopted by organizations are not kept clean.. Comments of those areas are made by vacationers about the debris and liter...dept. Should keep those areas cleaned.

More resources for highway maintenance and not for roadside maintenance

Get rid of cement highway between Bozeman & Manhattan

Keep area cleaner

More lighting by over-passes - need more sanding - closing road when road is dangerous from snow and ice

Messages to traveling public is slow, highway patrol perhaps is not updating especially on the week ends

Better maintenance of roads in winter

Use sand instead of gravel - gravel breaks to many windows

Use sand instead of gravel (rocks)

Widening the roads more guard rails, get a few more highway patrolmen

On the interstate Highway between Billings and Wyoming state line I-90 my experience has been poor information on highway conditions and also poor snow removal

They need to attack potholes in the spring quicker, and upgrading the roads before they are totally destroyed.

Need more rest areas to help with accidents; services provided at rest areas, coffee, etc.

Striping better & oftener, more permanent, using thermoplastic instead of paint.

Rest stops are closed when they should be open-summer time. Far apart and should be open year around and should be considered a safety factor for the traveler.

Patch and go - potholes are dangerous in the Bozeman and Livingston and the Great falls area

Eliminate vandalism

Road surfaces

Update weather conditions more frequently in winter when weather is bad, keep striping updated on heavily traveled roadways more often

Fire the person running the highway dept. - the highway dept. is a joke

Road kill not being removed soon enough. Double load semi trucks are ruining the Highways and the weight laws per tire inch is not being enforced. They are not paying the first year of taxes.

In the winter the department could remove the snow much better. The potholes should be fixed much sooner.

The rest areas are pretty sad all over/metal doors that slam shut etc. Bummer to stop and cannot get in if someone is cleaning, and have to wait in line during the summer. More travelers now than when areas built.

Highway surfacing needs to be of higher quality

Potholes need attention

Keeping rest areas cleaner

Striping wears down with snow plowing and gravel, repainting not soon enough in the spring. Too many supervisors on jobs in comparison with the number of men who actually work. Highly staffed supervisory

Need to fill in potholes

Keeping more workers on the roads

Keep more rest areas open throughout the year.

Mowing of grass at rest areas needs to be improved

Striping is important,

Take care of potholes lakeside area of the state

Get rid of a lot of the chiefs, be more selective in choosing their laborers. Twenty supervisors sitting in pickups and remainder leaning on a shovel.

Lockwood to King Avenue in Billings torn up a year.

More winter cleaning of roads

Up to date weather should be updated more often. Roads should be plowed earlier in AM
Leave at 5:15 am. Roads slicks and roads on 93 not plowed even at 8:30am. General
simple pot holes repaired ASAP

Given more notice when coming upon road construction

Not much more they can be doing, except road construction warning in bad...only a notice
of about fifty feet from point of construction suddenly you are there. Very poor advance
warning sometimes.

Better way to get winter road information out, road crews ought to get out sooner after a
storm, get the slickness off roads after scraping (black ice conditions)

Work on the removal of debris on the road and roadside, that is keeping the roadside
cleaner will give the visitors a more inviting appearance of the state.

Do more striping that is more permanent

After the spring thaw when the frost is out of the ground, they should repair the cracks
sooner.

They do as good as they can

Clean house in upper management - let people go when they need to be

Improve in all areas

Widen roadways along Hiline

The highway Belgrade to Butte, some of the sections are terrible, the highway is only
seven years old, some sections are really bad 20 miles good highway and then really bad,
then good highway again, and then bad

More maintenance before conditions get worse, in other words repair promptly, make sure
highways are clear in winter, need more rest stops

Road side need to be cleaned up better

Widening the roads keeping plowed in winter

Be sure that roads are kept in better shape in the evening and night; sanding; take care of them sooner if winter conditions exist

She thinks they do good

Not shut down a large amount of freeway to do a small amount of repairs

Highway 2 needs work

Remove the road kill quicker

Be out more frequently during storms on winter

Put bumps in the middle or center line, shoulder of road that shakes car and alerts a person who may be falling asleep, listening to stereo, or some distraction.

Don't skimp on initial construction

Make sure the striping is done

Haven't a clue. Stop improving so people won't move here. We have such severe weather condition in winter and summer it would be difficult to maintain the roads.

Update striping more frequently, add noise makers to edge of highway to warn people of danger

Do a better job patching the holes

Resurfacing

Improve their rest areas

Should use small sand instead of gravel on highways, and have had several broken windshields, other people complain about this problem too.

Build roads to specifications, the interstates are the worst, inspectors are not doing the job. Trucks should not be damaging bridges & roads if they were built right. Europe has better method

Early removal of snow should be a priority, usually on Highway 13 I have to wait for them for removal, should have more sanding. I drive 60 miles to work every morning five days a week.

Have more money to repair the roads

Thinks they are doing good

See some rest areas maintained, more open during winter months

Plowing and sanding in the winter needs improvement

Spelling of Pintler is spelled different on two signs - need more rest spots around in Butte

Highway 93

Pay more attention to the striping - old directional painting potholes - frosty areas

Roadway between Bozeman & Manhattan is too rough interstate Billings & Great Falls

Important to keep potholes filled and cracks filled, and keep snowplows out in bad weather

Roadkill needs to be picked up

Given current resources maintenance as it is now

Missoula to Great Falls has huge pot holes, sometimes they repair them, but some seem to be semi permanent, just a lot of them all of the time

Rest areas open between Wolf Creek and Great Falls.

Allocate more \$\$\$ Reserve St. in Missoula, money needed to expand it from the top of the hill to get across the river

Some maintenance could be better south of Billings to WY

The roadkill needs to be looked at more closely

Get out quicker when a snow storm is in progress , if it happens during the weekend nothing is done until Monday, little more sand on icy spots

Too many rest areas are closed, the one in Columbus was closed in July nice for children to get out run around safely and need to use facility

Debris removal, two to five days before a moose was removed from highway out of Whitefish. Sad that a family could not have used this or some organization for a fund raiser.

Plowing in the winter time no shoulder on roads- need more shoulder need phones in roads that have no access

Talk Washington out of more money

Not quick enough in getting out to remove the snow

Clean up roadkill, this person has seen same animal on road for 5 days. Limit the load for the truckers, they are what is wrecking the highways. Better road material for building, use what they do in Europe

Fix potholes, paint signs and stripes so they are visible at night as well as in daytime

More manpower

To get out early to remove the snow and put out sand. Sometimes we have to wait. 93 N is really dangerous, icy spots between Missoula and Kalispell.. dry and ice ...dry and ice

No complaints

4 lane between Three Forks and Townsend

Highway 16- the road kill stays there 3-4 days, dept. pick ups going by all day. More time should be spent repairing roads than just driving up and down the highways checking them for repair needs

Roads. In Plentywood to Canada are in bad repair, Dept. Of Fish & Game less control on the mowing.

Sub-contractor most of their work out - cheaper ways to do things - to much surveying

Can't think of anything specific but there is always room for improvement

Smooth out the roads.

Keeping the roads striped do a better job with tourist information

Keep grass at rest areas cut around the guard rails on state Highways for visibility purposes.

Remove ruts from interstates, and a lot of the roads need to be resurfaced.

Attitude of maintenance workers taking into consideration the highway traveler; having the same mindset

Better job of snow removal, more consistent.

Work on road surface conditions

Control truck traffic.

Between east Bozeman and Manhattan the road is like a wash board rut rut rut.

Get better equipment

From Glendive to Terry the creeping jenny is bad and also to Miles City from Glendive. Weeds should be sprayed in June.

Better updates on road conditions

Non interstate ideas connecting Canada could be improved

Signs not clear enough - road conditions are not good

Could have the gravel on the roads in winter time ground smaller so it does not bread so many windshields. Accurate road information on winter conditions. Don't trust what they say.

More people to take care of the problems that do arise.

Think they do very good

Potholes need to be fixed

Keep more of the rest areas open in the winter.

Widen road between Hamilton & Missoula, build turn out spots in that area also.

We can all improve on something, but I think they do a reasonably good job considering the time, weather conditions and changing conditions we have in Montana

Fix potholes and the tracks between Billings and Miles City

They do the best they can

Maintain roads that are there - from tourism aspect should have clean rest areas - roads are too rutted

Get earlier start when we have storms

Better paint for their striping

Repairing areas--traffic is extended as 2-way for way too long

Better snow plowing on frontage road in Bozeman on the way to Belgrade

Get out earlier to clean the winter roads

Rest areas open in the winter weather reports need to be updated more than twice a day ,
Prompt repair of the potholes in the roads.

Repairs should be done much faster. Reduce wear and tear on highways by keeping large
RVs and Winnebagos off state highways.

Do more winter maintenance

The grooves in the highway are very bad and need to be taken care of.

Assess the condition of the sign before they arbitrarily replace, that removal of all signs
and posts was an excessive waste because many signs did not need to be replaced..
Missoula area

Timing of road construction - construction runs into winter

The potholes on the roads.

The highways are rough, the asphalt itself and seems to be grooved from semi-trucks.

Get the crews out faster to get the snow off the roads

Widening roads

Straightaways that have double lines that will not let you pass on Highway 3

More sanding on hills, the Highway 90 Hardin to Billings not enough sand or not checked
often enough in the morning hours. Gets very slippery with black ice as the sun comes out

Haven't seen anything that I have traveled on that could be done better

Do better job on rest areas

Have to pass on this.. do a pretty good job and have a lot of miles to cover.

Keeping potholes repaired

Rough road are a hazard - Missoula to superior

Certain areas in the state like Bitterroot, MT has so much traffic it is unsafe to travel.
Perhaps more lanes would help

Right hand lane gets corrugated and should be kept smoother

Need better roads

Pot holes in the Deer Lodge area and deep holes shudders the car also some are too high and also affect the alignment of car.

Notification of weather conditions made known better. Participant did not know it was available.

Pothole improvement.

Haven't thought about it

Think they could sand quicker in the winter. Don't have enough help

Road coming out of Yellowstone Park is awful, headed towards Bozeman, potholes, no lines

Quit using large rocks when you sand, I am tired of replacing headlights and windshields

The Department should be aggressive in completing their roadway repair

Contract as much of maintenance as possible.

Highway 10 has pot holes that are awful, and just beats my car to death. Ten miles can do a lot of damage

More maintenance

Think they are doing as good as they can with what they have

The department is doing a good job.

Better winter driving conditions

Keep rest areas open in the winter

Roads resurfaced. If it takes money away from snow removal not for it. I-90 has some bad spots.

Highway I-90 just before the rest area about three miles going down a hill west of Hardin, has lots of pot holes, and tracks from semi-truck very dangerous in the winter even though plowed because of pot holes

More rest areas open in the winter

Faster and fixing roads and winter cleaning

Be more quick about snow removal more inspectors to check roadways

Rest areas need work

Prioritize better

Sanding of roads could be better

Provide more rest areas and leave them open all year. Make sure striping is done and up to date.

Plowing the snow in the winter put more money into more plows

Keep rest areas open in the winter time. Section of road from Belgrade to Manhattan. More power on the radio signal over Bozeman Hill giving out road conditions. Speed limits are not being watched.

Fix things before it gets to be a major project

Need more plowing in the winter time

Cleanup the debris from accidents. Put a bump sign where the bump actually is and not so far in advance of it.

Snow removal on interstates should be more prompt.

Better time management of repairs. Closer supervision of the people who take care of the rest areas.

Quit graveling roads in winter, sand them please, use smaller gravel

Local communities should be more involved in removing debris from highways. Provide changing tables for infants in rest areas. Making highway conditions number more aware, did not know there was one.

Thinks the rest areas are terrible

Keep roads in better condition Highway 35

Keep the borrow pits looking better landscape the rest areas better

Speed up road construction.

Fix the road instead of just doing the potholes

Gasoline taxes should be used on the highways instead of going into the general fund - money wasted on people standing around holding signs

Too many rest areas are closed. Also very slow to pick up road kill which is a dangerous hazard.

Shoulders need to be mowed and the pot holes are not taken care of. Northeastern Montana... Scooby area

Rough roads are a problem on Highway 1 near Anaconda

Do as good as they can with what is available

Strive to have better maintenance in such a manner that it does not impede traffic flow. From Lockwood to King Ave. west of Billings

The striping of pavement should be better maintained

Better maintenance through more funds

Falling rock has not been removed in the winter, going around a curve on interstate 90 going to Spokane.

Should have better roads and maintenance

Take money from other sources to keep roads safe and maintain them in better shape

In Bozeman pass cannot see striping - when leave Livingston no light on sign to go to Bozeman on 90

Nothing right off hand

Between Livingston and Whitehall the interstate is bad. They need to grind down high spots and level the road. Also between Ringling and White Sulphur springs. Pilot cars too slow on chip sealing 25mph

Upgrade winter care

Winter maintenance

Rest stops should be maintained and more built and kept open year around. Striping is very important for night driving. Some areas are worn out, these are state highways

Keeping up the rest areas more, open them in winter

Be more consistent in maintenance.

Secondary roads need to be replaced in Thompson Falls area, could use a finer material on road when sanding as what they are using now is very bad for windshields

Clean along the highways, striping more prominent

Cleaner highways and removal of debris

Need more reflectors on the roads

Get more people to do the work and remove dead animals from Toston to Townsend. The roads will have to improve for the faster speed limits.

I'm sure I wouldn't know. Not qualified to answer. Only travel to Seely Lake to Missoula twice a year

Get ice and snow off highways quicker to keep traffic moving

Keep them pothole free, have the ditches mowed because of deer in summer and plowed and sanded in winter

Improve pothole maintenance, asphalt patching

Weeds to be cut down more -road reports need to be updated more often

Do less spraying of weeds and more cutting of weeds

Fixing pot holes better and maintaining

Removal of rocks that chip windshields. Should be cleaned up immediately after winter. That was on the interstate Highway I-90 that chipped my windshield. Repave Butte to Anaconda

Traffic problems because they did not anticipate the growth. They are poor old roadways. They need a major overhaul.

Maintain rough roads

I personally think they should not spend so much time standing around. choose a time without heavy traffic to do their work.

Have started working on bridges which was badly needed; Highway 93 area

Removal of dead animals faster, should clear trees from right of way for a distance that enables people to see animals sooner for the full right of way

Rest area maintenance road quality

Striping zones need to be marked

Make the roads smoother, they are rough and bumpy

Spray weeds

Knapweed control along highways, rest areas are poor and they is a safety issue for disease, signs-- too many, and more wear and tear on what we do have. Mowing less

I really don't have any objections now. Seems O.K.

Fix potholes road maintenance

In some areas the signage is not what it could be, people could get lost

Mainly the surfacing around Bozeman-the concrete is rough and hard on vehicles. Rural state Highways out of Havre are extremely narrow

Take care of areas that are heavily potholed

Aberdeen exchange never gets worked on until the snow is too deep - trucks get stuck in this area all the time - crew needs to be replaced

Work on areas rates lower, cooperate with Dept. Of Justice about roadkill removal and other debris and get information on bad weather , examine bidding process on road work

Better road maintenance, and better advisory on road conditions in the winter.. more up to date and current.

Resurfacing state roads they end up rough and narrow

Improve widening of roads; better maintenance of rest areas

Detour in Conrad is bad

Make sure potholes are filled

Allocate time better have prisoners clean roads

Not really can't think of anything right now

Replace the cement highways

Get more done with the money

Find a type of surfacing that helps against rutting the roads

Snow removal and icy roads could be cleared faster

Upkeep of existing highways, and need to update highways like making shoulders and bike paths. Divided highway a good idea for turning zones. More prompt maintenance in the winter after snow storm

Smoother roads

Need highway patrol because of no speed limit

Striping could be updated more frequently

Fix potholes

Rest stops need attendants and coffee and more phones - Cutbank to Browning the road is terrible needs work

Require more training of employees prior to employment and make sure they are qualified before hiring and continue training to make sure they are kept up to date on maintenance and stay qualified

Fixing potholes, roughness, overlays, widen shoulders, in winter have more plows throughout the days

Maintenance in the Billings area

Management should be improved , should mow grass in rest areas and weeds more frequently

Maintain the driving lane and use better material on the roads.

Road conditions, has been 5-6 hours behind

Smoothness of roads

Use finer sand not rocks for winter road

If you could help cities

Keep potholes filled because of high speed on Mt. Have more rest stops between Butte and Billings.

Need a new interstate across from Culbertson to Great Falls and Shelby Highway 2. Rest stops should be kept open in the winter. Too many closed now. unemployed take care of rest areas and roads, also inmates

Need more rest areas

Better method than chip sealing for patching roads

Roadside cleanliness, mowing because of animal life, also cleaning of the ditches

Lining in middle of road and side

Warning signs where bumps are sometimes not marked in the right spots

Do like the extra long loads on the trucks

Rest areas, resurface so they are not rutty, potholes on hi speed highways, restripe ASAP after resurfacing

More money on general maintenance

Doing as good as possible with the money they have

Better winter maintenance in the Browning area

Construction taking too long

Smooth out the roads, bridge work

Need more signs about mountain speeds

Maintain roads at night as well as daytime in winter, put the no passing signs further back to warn of hazard, lower speed limit

In order to do a better job more money is needed; get more input from public

They are doing a good job

Many bridge abutments need repairing, potholes should be filled more frequently

Travelers advisory is not updated often enough. I 90 between Fairmont Hot Springs and Butte is bad...rough. Also between Bozeman and Manhattan is rough. Blow out tires from trucks and boards on I-90.

Winter maintenance could be better in Cutbank area

Take care of winter conditions on hillsides; sand more often or more timely

Figure out a way to pack the new road surface with out ruining peoples windshield

Keep interstate system in better shape; improve rest area conditions

Important first impression of the state is sometimes by a traveler who stops at a rest stop that is not clean or well maintained, and also roadside rest areas and debris: Bad impression

Make the road surface last longer

Winter roadways should have more coverage

East end of state roads are bad, Sidney- Glendive area, quit closing the rest areas on east end

Need information for winter travelers should be more specific and it should be updated every two hours.

Keep up with winter maintenance

Improve and upgrade surface on a rotation basis. Target the busiest roads first.

Keep the highways clear of old flat tires, rest areas, road kill, better plan out by trying to minimize delays in traffic

Flow through the construction. Speed up the construction process, perhaps nighttime work.

Slow to pick up road kill on 93 between Lakeside and Kalispell.

Highway 93 is not safe with unlimited speed limits, access, widen it quickly

Do a better job striping - need more trucks on the highway in the winter months - do more prior planning on repairs - need more rest areas if we are going to promote Montana

Plan ahead, long term, for maintenance needs

Replace highway markers that are ruined, enforce road closures, snow removal quicker in Cutbank area

Interstate 90 between Belgrade and Bozeman is rough and the worst road in the state. Highway 12 out of Helena and MacDonald Pass is terrible and will have some bad accidents this winter...bad condition.. mean..

Instead of putting money on the interstates put more money in the secondary roads

More rest rooms in the eastern half of Montana

Fix potholes

Keep paving up near Townsend, for what we pay in licensing cars we should have better roads.

Improve winter maintenance by clearing the roads better and using something to keep them clear other than sand or gravel

Fix roads from Butte to Missoula and Butte to Billings.

Check on the roads more and fixing them quicker should not have to go 30 in a 55 mile per hour zone

The top level people who make decisions should go out on Highway 12 between White Sulphur and Park county line. It is disgusting to have a main artery from Yellowstone to Glacier, ruts, potholes and narrow

The construction takes too long, especially an area Billings and Round Up took a long time, it just sat all winter with just a dirt road six or seven miles of it

Don't know; they have quite a challenge on their hands; always need to keep roads safe in winter

Have only one person doing weed spraying instead of three. Have good supervision of workers on job.

Better striping

Use more to advise of road conditions

Widen Highway 93 in the Bitterroot valley from Hamilton to Lolo. Pot hole maintenance and bridge repair on Highway 93 south.

Get a better method to resurface

Doing a pretty good job

Plant more trees or leave more trees along our roadways. More money to maintenance rather than to road expansion that is four lanes. Try to maintain the two lane.

More sand and rest areas

Concentrate on winter road clearance

More striping on the highways - cleaner rest areas

Don't know

Road smoothness

They could spend more time and money on potholes

Highway 80 why did you lay down oil only?

Fixing serious potholes and breakups sooner, repainting roadways more frequently. Serious potholes and breakups sooner, repainting roadway striping on a more regular basis serious

Expedite the repairs quicker, a major repair that is. Small repairs should have a better repair to the pot hole better the first time.

Allocate more money for maintenance especially mountain areas

How can you compare interstates with state highways when they are not made of the same material, that's like oranges and apples. Widen Highway 93, it is dangerous

Thinks they do a good job

Hire more Montana people to do the work, remove debris sooner

The ruts on Highway 93 through Kalispell and I-90 through Missoula to Helena and the highway from Avon to Helena, places are really rough.

Highway 2 needs improvements

Clean up roadsides in the fall; need to get out sooner and get the tall grass at rest areas cut

Do not close rest areas

Highway 3 is a major concern

Sand quicker when there are ice storms

Keep the roadside mowed better.

Doing their share now

Have more manpower to fix the lines on the road so motorists can see the lines, better reflectors on the edge of the road, have reflectors in the center lines to show up at night. fix the ruts in the roads.

Highway 93 needs some help

We need more rest areas

You have done a good job and it was a bad winter, and I am overly acceptable to the repairs made in a reasonable time. We have a lot of highways to cover.

Smoothness of the state highways are bad, the striping is poor, the surfacing is not good, the signs are shot at or falling down. The roadkill is slow to get picked up, avg. of 7-10 days near Great Falls

Some of the roads need to be widened. Surfaces could be upgraded.

Resurface roadway more timely way

Probably make sure the roads are safe for everybody by painting lines and making early repairs on pots and things like that.

Worst thing is the liquid de-icer. Weather report on radio is so bad you can't hardly understand most of the time.

Pave the Columbus and Joliet road only 2 1/2 miles

Rest area needs attendant and vending machines- road repairs are stop gapped measures - road from miles city to Broadus needs to fixed to last a long time - only do removal of weeds in the spring

Redo stretch of highway and ruts appear soon after, need to find out why it's happening

Earlier hours to do maintenance work

Put the lines on the roads to stay longer and be more visible, have more and better road signs

Fill the pot holes

Winter road conditions do not have enough lines, cannot get through, just busy until after 8 AM. Highway 93 in Flathead is totally dangerous and has taken too many lives between Kalispell to Polson-high traffic

Keeping ice and snow pack off the road in winter; striping on side of roads needs to easily visible

Many times both routes to Great Falls are torn up at the same time. They should just work on one at time. They tear up too large of sections at same time.

Resurfacing some of the roads that are rutted by semi's

No spraying of weeds

The financing of the roadways is too political. Potholes are very bad. Around Miles City it is very bad.

They could tell law enforcement officers to ticket bad drivers

Fix pot holes faster in the Whitefish area. Highway beautification

Roadways need to be wider

Need to find a way to keep roads from getting so rutted by semis; road reports are not accurate, could be 24 hours old

Work 24 hours shifts when repaving on the highways to get job completed earlier.

Keep up the good work, the roads are fine, roads around Flathead lake should be widened as the area is growing and there is a lot of traffic congestion there.

Right shoulder stripe could be better, perhaps taken care of earlier in the spring

Montana needs to have a speed limit of 65, and the roads definitely need to be repair, Billings to Bozeman, and to Fromberg, and Cody. The semi trucks are a factor as well as the weather.

Narrow roads scare him, make more turn outs, widen the deep turns for safety reasons

Stop worrying about building new roads and keep maintenance high; bicycles lanes, stop using chemicals on weeds

Need better management on winter road clean up- better efficiency

Better maintenance of rest areas, more rest areas open in winter more aggressive on surfaces

Put more snow plows out in the winter on state and interstate highways and put down a moderate layer of sand to help with traction. I-90 is bad between Bozeman and Belgrade.. lots of accidents because of ice

Smooth the highways near Bozeman, they have very rough surface

Fix potholes and clean up debris; have striping painted better

Make roads smoother

Maintain the rest areas and keep them safe and keep them well lighted

Great Falls to Havre and then Glasgow very narrow highway, dangerous for night travel yellow lines not visible, and lots of rough spots

Roads are too narrow

Heavier stripping

Speed limit should be 75 instead of the unlimited

Fix the potholes. Sanding and plowing patrols closer together.

Widen Highway 93 it is dangerous, let the public know that 2 lane highways are not a wide open speed limit. Road kill is not removed quickly enough

Need to update the information on the 800 number more frequently.

A good job and completed quickly on pot holes and repairs to highways are important rather than have to do it over if a poor job is done in the first place.

In winter, in Lewistown the snow crews do not get out quickly enough, thus making it icy and not able to get bladed off

Materials used in surfacing (road between Bozeman and Manhattan)

Do better on road surface around Belgrade to Bozeman

Rest areas need to stay open even in the winter

Secondary Highways between Ennis to five miles south of Cameron need new surface and lines, and needs to be widened. Lots of semi-trucks and trucks from the talc mine on that road now.

To watch where money is being spent; changing highway signs between Butte and Anaconda to a higher height; did monies allocated for I-90 between Butte & Anaconda go to Kalispell area instead???

Fill potholes sanded earlier in morning

Spend more time getting better pavement down. Plow roads more frequently.

The lines are very important and should be very visible, and show up better at night. Put lines on newly paved highway sooner and don't leave it black

Take a look at the way the highway striping is on highway 3 its dotted line where it should be solid

Better maintenance in winter.

The overall condition of roads summer and winter is not good.

So many of the employees seem too unhappy that the Dept. should take care of them. My father in law works for the Dept.

More crews to make sure roads are clear

Use a different material in the striping, so that it wears better, stripe the state highways more often, fix them more often.

Fix all the potholes

Roadways should be smooth and a lot of areas between Billings and Bozeman

The Department should be more prompt in completing road construction.

Keep rest area open in the winter - need to sand

Need better up to date weather information. Don't give extreme road conditions that don't exist. Repair the potholes. Improve removal of debris, striping

Can't think of anything; they do a good job

Repair more highways at night with flood lights in order to keep traffic moving, people get irritated when they are delayed by construction during the day when they are in a hurry. Reduce the time and delays during road construction.

One of the key things is getting complete information on the winter travel 800 number. It was totally incorrect. Had not been updated very little information. Try being specific on areas.

Don't put rocks on the road for sanding, it takes out windshields/headlights

Tend to the rutting problem sooner than they do especially on the secondary highways; spend more money on secondary roads rather than the interstates because of safety issues

Try to maintain the potholes during the summer

Better job on pot hole and rut repair, to strive for smooth Highways.

Widen the roads

Put up the garbage

Travel information number is hard to find

Between Silesia and Laurel the grass was not mowed down so when a person pulled on to a Highway from a county road vision was obstructed by tall grass and weeds.

Take care of ice better in winter, use smaller rocks on the highways, as windshields are being broken frequently

Keep the rest areas cleaner and not so dark. They are scary at night, widen the state highways to 4 lanes, excessive speed limits on them is not good

Assigning contracts earlier in the year to allow companies to complete work prior to winter

Brighten up the rest areas and have an information center or general warm up area, also general supervision, smooth highways more often and they are quite rutted. Need more sanding on highways in winter

Go out earlier in the spring and fix the ruts and pot holes and spring thaws. Traffic control on some of the construction sights is lacking.

Keep rest area open in the winter

Striping should be improved. Ruts should be fixed more promptly or a new way of construction so we won't have so many ruts.

Highest priority is to see that the highways are smooth, striped and well maintained, especially with no speed limit now.

Make rest areas cleaner

Need more rest areas and need to be open in the winter

Fix the potholes

Railroad signs sometimes they are absent when a railroad comes into the highway.

Get the potholes out of roads, line the state highways, especially Eureka to Missoula.

Update some of the two lane roads that are heavily traveled

They could not do chip and seal. There must be something better, I have had to replace three windshields in the last 12 months because of gravel. Between Opportunity and Anaconda and Butte.

Remove road kill sooner

Between Bozeman and Three Forks the road is very, very rough

Keep the rest areas open in the winter and have more rest rooms

Fill pot holes sooner and do resurfacing frequently

Snow removal should be done earlier in the morning as well as throughout the day.

General conditions of roads could be improved

Some of our state highways need more maintenance and repair.

I wish they would update road information hourly, I was given early morning report about noon. I went up a hill the highway truck would not go down. Every couple of hours or three.

Get more money from the public via a gas tax, that is where the money is for our roads. The truckers are ruining them they should pay the most. Also limit the weights limits of state Highways by truckers

More \$ and properties given to MT 200, US Highway 2 between Libby & Kalispell, 93 needs to be as much as possible as soon as possible, north worse than south

Put the miles to next town if showing which way to go

Exits are not marked soon enough and are not well enough marked for night driving or rainy conditions

Improve roadways that are not major highways i.e. road between Glasgow Jordan, need to maximum width

Roadway information line is always busy information is not timely

Weather information needs to updated more often - can't rely on

Better road information and weather conditions

By planning and doing their job at the right time. 10th Ave. Is all torn up, should have put an over pass over it instead of spending 10 million or more for a bridge above it. Poor plans and work

Stripe the US Highways, especially along the Hiline, enforce speed limits on those Highways.

Between Great Falls and Helena needs improvement; road between Great Falls and Cascade is terrible

Updating the road conditions to winter travelers minimum four times a day. More sanding on the Bozeman pass, and area between Livingston and Big Timber always icy very dangerous

Do interstates over and over again

Need to improve road surface so it is smoother.

Prevention type maintenance due to way roads are constructed; get things done right the first time even if it means more time and money

State roads need to be worked on more than interstates

Highway improvement and maintenance Highway 93 from Arlee to Polson is really bad. But probably will not be better until the tribe and the state reach an agreement. Too bad.

Update winter road reports more frequently. The Columbus Absarokee highway is treacherous especially at night and the traffic volume has increased dramatically, she feels it is unsafe at the present time.

More space in ditches for breakdowns, keep roadkill off highways, so predators could eat in peace, keep the lines straight on the roads not crooked, hire more minorities, have a 24 hour service in winter months.

Pass the sales tax and use some of the money for the infrastructure

Markings and warnings regarding construction are not adequate

Need to fix the potholes

Keep the roads smoother and better maintained instead of holes and big cracks

US 93 striping is bad, can't see the lines in winter. should have a slow lane for slow moving traffic on US 93 it is hard to pass .

Continue to do job they are

Put prisoners to work to help save resources.

Make shoulders wider as to let the bicyclists pass in comfort, fill potholes on US highways.

More contractors and less state operators!!

Keep trucks in one lane

Make the roads nice and wide, especially the secondary two lane highways

Need to make lines so they are visible after dark or in rainy seasons maybe use reflectors or painted flaps need more frequent painting of lines, also should check stop signs to be sure they are visible.

Winter road information should be updated much more frequently.

Winter removal of snow, get on it quicker

Quicker removal of snows on roads and more sanding, in mountainous and canyon roads on Highway 43, they were are resurfaced wrong or banked wrong

Holes need to be covered up

Lots of surface ruts interstate--- near Miles City & Billings.

Need more rest areas in non-city areas.

Information on the telephone is wrong for winter time

Do it faster with more thoroughness; rest area maintenance and roadside not done adequately

Need better striping on highways, need better deer fences on highways, do construction work quicker, and keep them open as much as possible

Plow out Jordan area more often, sand the hills

Widening the roads

Can't think of anything

Highway 93 all the way from Whitefish to Hamilton needs to be a four lanes.

Fill the holes and make striping visible

Guardrails on the way from Lincoln to Clearwater are absent, and there are straight drop offs. Other places in the state I have noticed this also. Highway that goes through town 10 Ave. and Fox Farm Road intersection

Ruts on the interstate

Doing fine now

Better maintenance of the rest stops.

Biggest problem is spring break up and all the pot holes, bulging spots.

More, better and cleaner rest areas. Winter information about roadway conditions should be updated much more frequently.

Have more rest areas available, striping could be improved as it is very important at night

A lot of people leaning on shovels - more work or less people

The highways are not smooth and should be widened. Cleanup the shoulder areas as well as widen the roads and need more shoulder area.

Put signs up indicating when there are more than 3 cars behind you that you need to pull over; Highway 93 turn car lights on

Stretch of Highway from Three Forks to Bozeman is terrible, bumpy.. bad.

Striping is poor

I would like to see Highway I-15 Butte to Dillon 5-10 miles bad before Dillon repaved. keeping up on striping on roads western part of state. Keeping vegetation removed on secondary Highways., covers ditch, dangerous

Allocate crews better; need to be more widespread

Could use more rest areas. Be sure signs are visible from a distance and make sure striping is visible at all times.

Rutting of interstate

Need to open up more rest stops and reopen rest stops that are continually closed. State highway from Jackson to Dillon is falling apart in the winter and continually needs repairing.

Too many stretches of highway are torn up simultaneously.

Northwest Montana roadways are in good condition

Road construction. Is a real hassle, it takes so long to get through. It should be better advertised so that people could take a different route, near Arlee the 2 lane is dangerous

Use prison inmates the opportunity to maintain highways; costs would be lower and it would contribute to overall self worth

Provide more warning strips on the shoulder of the roads signs should be placed at an earlier point to give the drivers more warning of road conditions or changes

Road between Butte and Helena is a horrible road, Butte to Whitehall is bad with holes and ruts, and Butte to Dillon is poor.

Wyoming roads are better - check into them - wider roads

Rest areas open in winter

Highway green signs on interstates do not show up at night cannot read. Blow out semi tires, dead animals, highway maintenance truck pass on by. Should update information more often, on touch tone highway not available

More money out of the funds for the state roads allocated

Fix the east side of McDonald pass , there are many chuck holes, pot holes, uneven surfaces, the passing lane is better than the driving lane both east and west bound.

Repairing the roads

Get rid of 99% of management and get more people out doing the physical labor use the money available to the best use possible. The gas tax should be used to repair the roads. We need a new governor.

Fix roads right first time, just redone couple years Billings-Bozeman, Three Forks-Bozeman, concrete in bad shape. Need to spend money more wisely, need to get your moneys worth the first time a job is done

Welcome centers at entry points to state, rest areas make a big impression. Areas between Three Forks and Bozeman is very hard to drive, also Deer Lodge

Need to update information center

Need to put more gravel on canyons and freeways in winter

Rest areas are closed why why why. Winter road maintenance is an absolute joke. Plow early. Roads should be clear before the work traffic hits the roads.

Give more priority to accessibility of rest stop especially in winter

Give a much higher priority to safety as opposed to increasing capacity also should devote more funds to public transportation, restrictions on truck traffic should on non interstate highways for safety

Highways wider

More snowplowing in the winter on hills

Highway workers need better supervision, Lincoln County and Flathead Co., Highways sanded and plowed more often in winter.

Lower the speed limit

Road kill should be removed sooner, road between Great Falls and Craig is in very poor shape on the interstate right hand lane.

Pavement needs to be maintained better so they are not rough.

They do a good job, but should sooner in winter

Get the sand trucks out on the highways more often in the winter during the weekends and late at night to clear the snow and ice.

Road maintenance, pot holes in Flathead Co. Not enough snow plows in winter to keep the roads maintained.

Open more rest areas, even in the winter

The work you do, could get done a little faster, and when you work do a correct job filling the potholes. A team should drive the roads & makes observations and turn it over to the Dept. of Trans.

General upkeep should be improved.

Roads have more pot holes, rough spots in Sanders County are worse than the surrounding counties. Also debris, dead animals and rocks, lots of trash along highway. Should maintain highways better.

Road reports and sanding area a high priority

Fix more potholes more frequently

Can't think of anything

Fix potholes and improve smoothness on the roads.

I really could not tell you

Transitions between interstates and bridges that rough and you have to slow down for, usually a big bump there. Bozeman to Missoula, around Deer Lodge

Spring breakup needs to be maintained better

Keep our rest areas open year round. Improvement of secondary roads as well as bridges on secondary roads.

Prioritize

Better control of traffic when construction is in progress

Widening our roadways

Billings to Laurel has been resurfaced, but it is very rough on the highway

Snow removal could be better

In areas where there are a lot of turnoffs (like Pablo) they should have turn lanes or a four way stop light, so people will slow down at the turnoffs.

Put in more rest stops

More shoulder space on Highway 212 south out of Laurel to Red Lodge, or also a turn lane would keep traffic flow smoother, especially because of farm equipment traveling on the road.

They could all be working instead of just one man

Maintain rest areas better Missoula to Helena has too many rest areas, and too few the other direction

Maintain the roads during winter, especially late at night. Widen the narrow roads. Limit double 40 trailers to interstate travel only, make the same rules for them as triple trailers.

Do night repair work.

Keeping the weeds mowed better maintenance on the striping

Get rid of potholes, replace the cement highway near Bozeman

Clean up road kill more

More rest areas closer to towns,

Construction slows traffic in the summer, should keep traffic flowing in the summer. Tourists. Construction traffic takes too long. More four lane between major traveled Highways.

Contractors that maintain roads. should have to do it right and if not right they should fix w/o taxpayer money, out of their own pockets and get a fine on top of that. Increase rest areas

More promptness in repairing roads, an example is MacDonald Pass eastern side.

Surface repair could be better

Need more rest areas and need to stay open in the winter

Use better quality road supplies to do roads

Rest areas should be improved aesthetically as well as cleanliness.

Better signage

Work on the appearance of our roadsides

Fill potholes sooner

Surface of the roads in Montana is very poor so must be improved, anything that is concrete must be changed. She says the concrete lobbyists were the reason we chose concrete, not asphalt.

Call in weather reports needs to be updated more often

Fix the potholes sooner, paint the lines with a longer lasting paint and a paint that shows up at night and in rainy conditions

They don't take the slush off the roads and that is very dangerous

Keep the rest areas open some are closed even in the summer. Also important when traveling with children. Highway 212 should be widened or a turn lane.

From Havre out 35 miles is only 2 lanes, and narrow, the remainder has been widened. All Highways should be widened.

Smooth the road surfaces

Replace some signs-signs seem to be faded- open more rest areas that you have closed in the past

Big with the snow plows

Keeping the weeds down

Should concentrate on keeping their employees happy. Get their work force up where it should be, it is less than half what it should be. People should be fined for littering, including diapers, etc. \$250.00 up. Better eye on the rest areas

Fix the roads that really need it. Keep the roads smooth, and repair the pot holes, put up fences to keep deer off the highways, need more guardrails where there is a hazard. Need emergency phone service.

Repair potholes between Townsend and Three Forks

Common sense applied to the traffic conditions when they decide to do maintenance. A good example what happened in Kalispell on 93 on the way to Ronan, it took 3 hours to go 5 miles due to striping on road.

Fix MacDonald Pass, need better pavement and fix potholes

Upgrading the report on winter road conditions, give information that a road is passable, but was sheer ice for a while and snow packed.

I don't really know, except most of the rest areas are closed.

Highway 93 on lake side Flathead-Polson to Kalispell, the road kill of deer stay there for ever, never picked up, and there are deer killed every day.

Should have better traffic control in construction areas

Improve general maintenance

Use less chemicals in winter, sand on the road not gravel, gravel breaks windows, roads don't need to be super smooth for the tourists. We have enough 4 lanes, need well maintained wide shouldered 2-lanes

Short of help to work on highways, for repairs in good weather and snow removal in the winter. Shoulders are narrow from Darby to Sula hardly enough for two vehicles especially a big truck in oncoming traffic

Rest areas should be improved in cleanliness and stay open more.

Roads are hazards due trucks making roads wavy

Highway 93 doesn't have to be widened to 4 lanes, just widen the shoulders and keep it well maintained.

Highway 93 between Polson & Kalispell should be widened, convince the elder Indians about that on the reservation. Reduce speed limit, there are just too many accidents

More resurfacing, widening some major highways, more guardrails.

Maintain them better in the winter, update road conditions for the public more frequently

Fix the potholes and frost heaves on the roads

Resurface the interstate, especially from Billings to Missoula. Wyoming border to Bridger also needs resurfacing. Widen the highway from Laurel to Rockvale.

Cut the weeds better from Hardin to Lodge grass, improve the surfaces of interstates

Need to open the rest areas -

Everything I have seen in the last four or five years is good on Highway 2, kept good in winter.

Use sand on roads instead of gravel, wants to send the state the bill for the broken windshields and headlights he has received from gravel being spread as sand, do not widen Highway 93, just widen shoulders

Take care of interstates better as there are ruts because of heavy truck traffic

Plow road more in the winter time.

Open more rest areas in the winter - general road conditions need improvement

Some of the surface areas could be improved.

Improve the chuck holes on all the roads, at least get them filled before they have to do major repair.

Address rutting as it develops. Make sure turns off the highway turn off and intersections, campgrounds etc. are adequately marked so that people in front give safe warning that they are turning.

Line the state highways more often and with better material so that it lasts until the next time you re-stripe. More rest areas on the north-south routes

Do more resurfacing instead of patching. Keep the roads graveled and salted more in winter

Determine better way to improve traffic flow around areas of construction

Need to plow more in the winter

Removal of snow and ice

Maintenance of US highways is poor, you do a better job on the interstates

Need to resurface the highways, out of Butte, they are terrible, the big semi-trucks wreck the roads, and practically run autos off the road. Keep up the highways.

Complete road construction jobs in a timely manner, can take up to a year for a project in the Kalispell area on a state highway. Plow snow sooner, than two days, by then another storm is ready to hit.

Lines are not being marked as well - heavy traveled roads are not maintained as well

Improve in removing the snow from the highways and take care of potholes

Highway 200 from Great Falls to Missoula is terrible

Resurface more Highways and they are very, very poor in our area, south of Ennis near Cameron. Between Norris and Harrison.

Regulation of trucking

Better care of rest areas; have volunteers giving out coffee, etc. Removal of ice and snow

Better reflective systems to indicate where lanes are.

Need quicker snow removal, highways need more repairs, no shoulders and lots of potholes, no way to get out of the way of trucks on the narrow highways, at least need pullouts for safety, on narrow roads.

Put a surface down on the highways that does not rot from the heavy trucks.

Keep doing what they are doing

Have the road reports up to date and accurate for your area.

More rapid response if a roadway is deteriorating.

Take better care as far as maintenance on the two lane highways.

Winter maintenance is a must to keep the highways clear.

Signs that say bump they should fix the bump instead of putting up just a sign

High way Frenchtown west has had a barrier for 2 years, why??

Get the workers to do some work instead of standing around

Need more secured rest areas. They are few and far between towns. Money used from our license fees to be used more on highway.

Get Highway 93 finished, that is resurfacing and rewidening, sure is taking a long time to complete the project.

Need an adequate budget to keep maintenance current

Painting of the stripes the paint should be done in a less expense mode - put up signs about fog lines not showing -

Rest areas should not be duplicated-try building one so both lanes of traffic could us

Stretch of highway between airport and Exposition Drive in Billings is not maintained soon enough for ice and snow, bad many cars off road. Deer roadkill sometimes not removed for days if then.

Work quicker on repairs, not go on with them for months and months. It makes me think that they are milking the system of our dollars which are not that many anyway. Wise up supervisors!!!!

To pay attention when several complaints are made regarding roads; spread maintenance out more not always repairing the Same roads over and over again

The cement highways near Bozeman are terrible. Should be replaced very soon.

Winter driving conditions are very bad. Just remember there are families on the road and they are not kept up very good. Road between Columbus and Joliet is very bad.

More lights that are brighter and higher up on snow plow, I am a truck driver and I cannot see the lights. Rest areas closed all summer and winter. Debris, and garbage, even burned on roadside.

Rest areas need work in the maintenance and keeping them open - could use more rest areas

They need to be out earlier in the day to remove snow or ice in the winter.

The snow removal is not adequate north of Glasgow, and our state highway is low priority. Widen the Highway from Malta to Billings. Still needs a lot of improvement.

Mowing shoulders; striping

Potholes fixed, they cause accidents or car repairs

Spend more time/money and make surface of roads more durable, so that you are not constantly repairing the same sections over and over. Do it right the 1st time

Semi trucks are rutting the highways terribly

In winter they should have more sand on them. Spend less money on new signs and get some of the secondary roads fixed.

Patrol more often so they can remove the debris

How can you survey interstates and highways as one group, they are made of separate materials, don't use salt.

Work on the roads

Repair the ruts on the interstate highways

Could have more rest areas

Identify roads which need to be fixed.

Do construction earlier instead of waiting to winter time

Maintain the US Highways more often, use better material so the potholes don't return as quickly.

See the four lane going a little quicker on Highway 93. Stop signs on old Highway 93 and Highway 12 and US 93 and Ridgeway.

The bridges should be better maintained, and rest areas should be kept cleaner, roads should be updated more frequently so they will not deteriorate so fast. Also the bridges.

State highways are rough

Rest areas should be open all the time, maybe just to pull off to take a nap or rest.

The lines are not informative enough to warrant conditions and speed of the current driving practices. Should be a longer warning on no passing zones. Fix the potholes sooner.

Next time you have a survey don't lump together state highways and interstates, they are not the same. Rest areas are becoming unsafe to approach, you don't know what is in there behind the doors.

Highway from Three Forks to Bozeman needs repairing. 60 miles real bumpy.

They are doing a good job of all maintenance

Have more communication with their construction personnel so they do not waste so much money.

More help in winter for plowing.

Weather report needs to be updated more-maintenance has been left go on some roads

Put the road information on radio and the 800 earlier than it has been 6-7:30 would be great.

Winter maintenance. It should be a high priority.

Try to get more money-- less workers more work going on

Repair the roads better, quicker, make the US highways wider, better job of sweeping up the gravel, it cracks windshields.

Get out on the roads earlier for winter maintenance

Keep the roads a little clearer in the winter

Need more rest areas, and keep them open

Rest areas could be cleaner

Highway between Billings and Custer is real ratty. They should try to keep the Beartooth Pass open earlier in the year.

Debris needs to be removed more often

Don't let out of state contractors do our work like Huaffien lane in Bozeman, a tourist tax so that we can better our roadways in the state, it is our 2nd largest industry (tourism)

Improve on winter maintenance

Smooth out the surfaces

Striping on the Highways needs to be improved

Clear roads off earlier in the wintertime.. sanding and plowing

Fix the potholes sooner, and smooth the ruts sooner so they are not so wavy, clean up the rest areas.

Things That Are Good Now

Snow plows moving all the time on the freeway and secondary highway five miles east of Missoula-excellent removal

Nothing

Does a good job except for sanding

Doing a good job

Do a pretty good job of keeping the main highways cleaned off in the winter, and keep pot holes filled.

Highways are maintained better than he would expect them to be

Doing good job on maintenance

Going to a wider road makes it better traveling - getting rid of sharp shoulders - more guard rails

I like the way they are out there right away as soon as the snow falls at least around Ravali

Snow removal and in general well maintained.

Generally doing a good job

Maintain rest areas

Overall do a good job

Cleared off in winter

They are doing their best with the money they have available to them There are a lot of highways to maintain

Sanding, plowing in winter is a good job

Overall doing OK

Doing a fairly good job considering what monies they have to work with

Winter maintenance

The winter maintenance is very good in Montana

The new four corners road around Bozeman - other new roads

Winter road cleanup

Doing a hell of a good job. A certain section where a slow or lazy guy may take a longer time to fill in the pot holes

Better elimination of potholes

Close road when weather storms require it

Winter time they are right away on Boulder Hill

Resurfacing is good

Fact that Montana is 4th largest state in the nation-impressed with the overall year around highway conditions regarding number of miles of highways to be maintained.

In general keep the highways in good conditions

Save our secondaries program working well

Mowing grass, roadside maintenance the signs and conditions meet my expectations

Doing the best that they can, and overall doing a good job

The department has repaired roads in this area of the state to this persons satisfaction.
Roadside information signs

Do an excellent job of removing debris overall do a good job reduce gas prices

Breathing

They watch carefully for the cliff rock falling and rock slides

No response

Drive from Butte to Boulder and the highway in the winter is well maintained, only a few times have the roads not been plowed.

Should be commended for doing a great job.

Like the information is available and damage repaired promptly

Winter snow removal is excellent

Good job overall

No response

Building new roads

Overall doing a good job

Overall doing a good job

They do a pretty good job of snow removal

Construction signs are well placed

Good warning signs

Occasionally the winter maintenance is above expectations.

Most part maintained very well

Resurfacing

Fixing road striping around lakeside

Cannot think of anything right now

Overall doing OK

I cannot tell you right now

Snow removal

Keep the roads open and that is good

Road repair is great

Their winter control, such as weather information, and keeping the state and interstate roads open.

Excellent job on building new highway in her area

On the state roads doing good in general repair, chipping and sealing

Snow removal

Like the safety programs they have with their employees

Lack of litter and removal of debris good job

Overall doing a good job

Upkeep on rest areas is excellent and do a good job of keeping road open in winter

Trying to keep up with everything

They are spending their dollars very well, but sometimes going with the lowest bid may not always give the best finished product, or long lasting product

Did a good job of resurfacing the highway near Hinsdale and also widening it

Making the roads wider

Doing well on keeping debris from roadways

Will use rest areas because of general cleanliness everything is average when traveling

Nothing

Thinks they do good

Roadside maintenance is good, also signs and striping are good

Snow removal is great

Signs on approaches should wait for oncoming traffic

The way debris is removed and highways are kept clean

A lot of construction underway now to try and fix up old roads up by Wolf Point, Montana

Providing extra roadside maintenance

Doing a good job of repairing roads

Snow removal is doing a good job

Keeping roadways smooth

Weather forecasting is up to date. Really like the program adopt a highway, it is excellent. Very prompt to erect signs when the speed limit was changed. They do their best to have smooth surfaces on highways

Doing a good job on winter maintenance

Doing a generally good job

Snow removal

They are doing pretty good overall

Always mowed on both sides of highway and the striping is good.

Excellent job of winter maintenance

Road conditions are outstanding

General maintenance is OK

Overall doing an excellent job

Debris removal in Hamilton area

Snow removal is a good job

Loves to drive on maintained interstate

Doing fine

General upkeep is good considering the amount of highways in MT

Thinks they do good job informing on weather conditions

Doing best they can with available funding

Can't think of anything

Interstate going into Great Falls undergoing a major change with new road and access in and out of town which will be a lot better when they are finished

Great highways other than stretch in Missoula re: Reserve St.

Generally do a good job

Winter maintenance

Overall do a good job

Winter maintenance is good, lines are good

They are doing well with the resources they have because of low populations not enough money available for roads

Roads in fairly good shape, generally. Some bad spots in some areas.

Can't think of anything now

Go job on plowing

Get patching, rebuilding done well

Impressed with snow removal

Trying to keep everything up

Overall quite well

They are pretty good with the signs

Resurfacing

The interstates for the most part I feel confident that they are taken care of in this state as compared with other states.

Winter maintenance

Nothing

Doing a fair job and the road is reasonably good

Construction is going well and is timely

Keep the roads clean.

Very pleased with roads

They sand the hills good, but they do not get out on the ice on the flats around Big Timber straight aways, and that ice causes lots of accidents.

Although high construction this summer we have better roads because of it

Everything is satisfactory

Good at quickly repairing roadways

Seem to keep up and maintaining interstates all the time

Do a good job during a storm

Impressed with snow removal in the Gallatin Valley area to Belgrade and West Yellowstone.

Appreciates the interstates and the smooth roads

Doing a good job on winter road removal

They try think they are doing the best they can

Some of the new roadways are very good

Don't know, rather not comment one way or other. Doing a good job I think, probably short of manpower.

Winter roads are in good shape

Nothing

Appreciate work being on Highway 93 between Whitefish and Kalispell; and general improvement of Highway 93

Doing a good job on improving roads in the Cutbank area

In winter conditions in most cases they are out plowing very promptly. The people doing maintenance in general work at their jobs pretty hard.

Highway 93 doing a great job

The road condition updates they are doing real good on.

They have equipment and do an adequate job considering what they have to work with and the money. The highways here are safe

Maintenance of highway is very good

Doing the best they can

They do put gravel on the roads, but should plow better, and removal of vegetation

Sanded and plowed pretty good

Keeping highways updated

Bridge repair on the interstate area, and or replacement, glad our state is doing this because many states are not doing this until they are too far gone. Also this is a safety factor.

They are working on roads now

They keep updates on weather very well.

The location of signs and information on them

Not much

Improving the road conditions.

During construction there are people holding signs to signal people and give directions.

Everything is OK

Thinks they are doing a good job improving roads in western MT

Does a good job of maintaining roads for as large as the state is

Do a good job, but more sanding in Garfield County

Keeping the roads clear in the winter

Pretty good on winter maintenance in high traffic areas, and I am very impressed with the adopt a highway program

They try

Doing pretty good except icy out toward Drummond from Deer Lodge

Overall they do a good job

Winter maintenance and roadside maintenance seem to be very good

Nothing

Deer Lodge to Butte is awful in parts and some parts are great, the nearer Butte the worse it gets

Snow removal is very good

Good job overall

Keep 10 plowed off in the winter

Nothing

They are really trying in the Kalispell area on improvements and Highway 93 south making a four lane, which is great.

Doing a great job on the upkeep

Rest stops are nice and clean

Doing good job on snow removal.

Rest areas are better in their cleanliness

Maintenance repair

Nothing

Doing a good job

Overall do a good job

Thinks the striping is as good as any state he has been in

Doing a good job.

Winter maintenance

Winter road conditions are very good

Meeting expectations

The signs look good

Do good job of winter maintenance. Also good job on mowing weeds.

Nothing

With the weather conditions they try to keep us

Doing an excellent job on our interstates.

Good job of plowing

Rest areas are real nice outside.

Nothing

Montana is one the cleanest states for litter

Overall doing a good job

Overall good job.

Keep the signs up

Doing a pretty good job for the size of the state

Good about ice and snow removal as much as they can.

Keep roads up fairly good in the winter

Good job of cleaning the roads off...snow removal

Survey's such as this is an excellent way of asking the people for their opinions is a great asset for the people and the department

Pretty much everything. Winter travel conditions important to me every day and they are always out there plowing- Missoula - Alberton

Doing a good job with the resources they have

Good job of snow removal, out early in the morning and that is good, because I travel from 6:30 am six days a week out of Missoula from Clinton into Missoula

Nothing

Do a good job in the wintertime, prompt answers to accident reports

Overall doing a good job

Kept up highways pretty good as soon as they start to deteriorate

All the things he said are good that I responded to as to the maintenance

Conditions of roads are good

Overall they do a good job

No objections have done quite well

Roads that are passable

Don't know

Trying to do the job with the money they have available

Taking care of winter roads

Keep winter roadways clear

Snow removal

Not a drop--usually when we have a snow storm they are right on top of it

Striping, and road signs are good

Doing a fine job generally roads are fairly good, need good wide shoulders on more roads

93 north of Missoula - deer test section - red reflectors that reflect light and scare deer away

Like winter road condition reports also the construction reports in the summer

Nothing

Can't think of anything to be honest. To be honest they do try to get out early in the morning during snow storms, but it could be improved

They do a good job for what they have to work with and snow removal is great

Improving things all the time

Actually getting out there and getting the job done

Kept up with the striping; have painted them twice this year

They clear roads fast during storms and keep up with the weather generally do a good job

The people are doing a great job, they do a great job, the winter maintenance group is excellent. Just make sure manpower is not excessive, possible trim down

Can't think of anything

Repairing damaged roadways

Some of their winter maintenance is good Bozeman to Billings or Bozeman to Missoula and secondary highways I travel. Good traffic control on highway construction areas

Very, very good winter maintenance

They do play an important role in highway maintenance

Taking good care of all the roadways

They try to repair and resurface as soon as it starts to deteriorate especially on a secondary highway

They keep the roads clear, very good in winter and also in summer, also keep up with the potholes

Striping is getting better signs are better

Good winter road maintenance

Doing a pretty good job of taking care of roads in general

Can't think of anything

Doing a good job

Winter maintenance and roadway maintenance

Good job

Snow removal meets expectations

I guess they put up nice road signs in flathead county, some of the roads were very nicely redone, new line etc.

Mowing roadsides

Overall roadways OK

Updating of winter road information is good

Striping good and surfaces pretty good

Winter maintenance and plowing in the Kalispell area

Nothing

Good maintenance

Replacing roads that need replacing

Good jobs with rest areas

Likes the no speed limits - keeping the grass low

They are fixing intersection at Belgrade, very necessary

Don't know

Improving roads in flathead area

Road information for winter travel

Winter maintenance

Sand roads in icy conditions fast, clear quickly also

Doing the best they can with the amount of money they have; especially MacDonald Pass

Seem to fix things that need to be fixed

Doing a good job

Mowing grass by roadside

Pretty good overall

Improving the road surface on interstates and guardrails are updated

Doing a fair job with resources available

Likes the new construction

Good job from Helena to Wolf Creek Canyon, the road is wonderful it is marked well, should do more of that.

They do a decent job of snow removal and sanding

Resurfacing is going on all over

Interstates are in good condition;

Good job in northwest Montana

They are doing an excellent job and I know a lot of my tax money goes to that Dept. And they must be spending it wisely.

Do a good job removing snow

Generally do a good job

The mowing of hay on side of road cuts down the expenses to MT Trans. Dept.

Usually pretty good about keeping the roads passable.

Overall road maintenance good

Good at keeping debris off of nearby mountain pass

Do a good job

Good sign quality and good road marking for exits etc.

They keep up the roads good

Don't know right off hand

Doing an excellent job

Maintain roads well; sanding in winter; filling potholes

Paying attention to bridges and overpasses

Doing a lot of roadway repair

Happy with improved maintenance

Improvements in Browning are nice

Doing a fine job

For the most part, the roads are good and I give them a lot of credit and for the miles of highways and number of people who travel them. Good job.

The work they have done around Lavina - Great Falls to Eddies corner

Doing a good job

Doing an adequate job

Everything, no complaints

They seem to be trying hard to do a better job on roadway surfaces

In the summer working to keep our highways looking good

Doing a good job

Resurfaced Highway 12 from Park County line to Livingston, widened and put a shoulder on it also and did a nice job.

Basically they are doing a good job

Snow removal is good. And the road signs are good.

Doing a basic good job

Nothing

Our roads are probably better than a lot of states and we have a lot of roads to take care of.

Do a pretty good job

Good job of snow removal

Overall doing a good job

Plow the roads a couple of times a day when it snows that is about all, but do not sand enough

Tries to keep them up

Doing a pretty good job

They will come out and talk to people about the road and they do listen to public input and the survey like this is great.

Community meetings about what road expansions they are doing is excellent.

Reliable

Overall the maintenance is good

Improving roads in the state

Overall doing a good job

Nothing

Winter road maintenance is good and they are doing it promptly

Keep the highway clean as far as debris, and the signage is done very well.

Nothing

Taking pretty good care of interstate roads

Keep roads decent in winter for driveability

Do a fairly good job

Doing a good job on state maintained highways in Garfield County

Doing all that is needed

They are doing a pretty good job

Generally the roads are good

Snow removal is pretty good

Keep up the good work as far as the rest areas are concerned

Nothing in particular

Doing what they can

Doing pretty good now

Doing a good job

They are doing a good job.

Snow removal is great

Good job on striping.

They do the best they can with the money they have

Really nothing

Replacing all the signs.

Good job on winter snow removal

Do a good job of snow removal

Taking care of winter maintenance

Cleanliness, debris removal is good

They are doing a good job

Can't name anything special, however on two lane highways we should have a limit of 55. Interstate is different.

Surfacing is pretty good

Keeping them clean

Finished sections are a good job. Widening of two lanes is very good.

Winter snow removal is good

Hold the shovels up well

Keeping debris off the roads is very good

They keep the roads open in winter and keep people informed of conditions no complaints at all.

People in the Dept. of Transportation personnel have been very nice and tried to be helpful when I called re. maintenance, viaduct reconstruction etc.

Do a good job in filling potholes

How well the interstates are becoming. Good job. Careful planning would like to see Shiloh interchange go through.

Snow removal is good and roads are well maintained

The interstate that I use is darn well taken care of.

They are trying to build bridges and overpasses. The new one in Bozeman is wonderful. Doing as well as they can with the funds they have

State improvements are great, Highway 3 near Billings has needed improvement for a long time

Winter maintenance is very good

Can't think of anything

They do a good job in all areas

Good signage

General road maintenance

Keeping signs updated and keeping rest areas up.

Doing a good job in winter for snow removal and sanding, but don't use gravel as it breaks windshields

Do a good job on maintenance and information is pretty good. Not too many problems or surprises when traveling.

State is doing a very good job

Haven't been here long enough to know, except the snow plows were out during the snow storms

They are doing a fine job

Trying to cover the state with the little money that they have

Interstate between Helena and Wolf Creek doing a good job

Doing an overall good job

Mowing is good and litter removal is also really good, signs are visible, and overall conditions of roads they do really good

A good job all around

Snow removal is timely

They do a very good job and are out in all weather conditions and out very early

Very pleased with Montana roads, much better than back east

Nothing

A pretty good job of maintaining the interstate highways. Also would like to see the rest areas open year around, and more RV dump stations at those rest stops.

Winter snow removal and sanding

The new signs went up quickly

Keeping roads safe in the winter.

No comment

Maintenance care on interstate meets expectations, but secondary roads are not very good

Keeping roadways fairly clear of snow

The highway signs are excellent

The striping of the roads is excellent

They are just doing their job of taking care of the roads

The department is meeting this persons expectations regarding removal of snow in the winter from the roads.

Summer highway construction; bringing old one up to date; Bigfork area

The best they can with the resources that they have. The money should come from the gas pump via increased taxes

They keep the roads in decent condition

This person is very glad the department is upgrading the highways.

Clearing of ice and snow.

They have been doing a good job mostly. Should watch material that is put on the top surface. Should make the shoulders easier to get on to.

The removal of snow during winter

The removal of road kill ASAP. Removing trees on Highway 93 so the sun can get to the highway and melt the ice and snow.

Trying to keep up w/ potholes

Work hard with limited resources; see an effort to get things done

All good

Adequate Highways with almost adequate maintenance

Good job

Keeping the roads in fairly good condition

Winter maintenance is doing the best they can with what they have and the length of road that they have to keep clean

Doing a good job especially interstates; using signs on detours

Their road signs are good and notify of road conditions early.

The Dept. is doing the best they can with the money available.

Good roadside maintenance.

Give them a pat on the back for the way they do things. They are fairly well done. The interchange through by the Holiday Inn in west Billings is a mess, the designer's nightmare, better do Shiloh better

Keep roads clean; striping good; pretty smooth overall

Do fairly well

Fixing roads that don't need fixing

Been pleased with the highway I have been driving mostly on Highway 2

As a general rule the roads are in good condition and well maintained and snow is removed as rapidly as a person could expect.

Doing the best they can overall

Quality of road is fine

Good at keeping roads open in winter

The roads appear very clean and are without litter.

Signage is really good

Mowing along the highway

They are trying

Generally pretty good

They are doing fine.

Major highways are well taken care of

Winter maintenance is good

Nothing

Nothing

On a whole our roads are good and well maintained.

Impressed on the interstates

Do a very good job in the winter

Winter care of the roads is good.

Overall good job of winter maintenance between Red Lodge and Billings

Can't think of any thing

She is happy the department continues to be progressive.

Finally hired locals for their work, should have a doughnut shop every 100 miles

Doing a good job about the roadway conditions

Surfacing of roads is good

Well paved

Keeps the roads sanded good west of Whitefish

They are doing fine

Keep doing what they are presently doing

They are trying to maintain bridges as possible

Very satisfied with what is being done

Rest areas are excellent

The department is doing a fine job on the rest areas.

In Seeley--- the roads are well cleared of snow

Many things meet expectations but seldom exceeds

Winter maintenance as far as sanding - they get right on rest areas are always neat

Not that I can think of

Montana roadways and interstates are very clean in comparison to other states.

Road kill off roads quickly, Absarokee- Big Timber area striping good in Absarokee area

Main highways they do good on, but some of the other roads, secondary get left till last.

This person appreciated the friendliness and cooperation with the bridge work that was just completed in Malta.

Good road between Great Falls and Billings should make an interstate

Do an average job

The road between Billings and Great Falls is much improved highway signs are improved in that they tell people of services that are available at each stop

Good job on snow removal and stripping of the roads

They do an absolutely beautiful job. Maybe they should teach Butte how to fix and maintain roads.

Well, nothing.

Do great job on debris removal

Keeping it clean

Doing fine

The debris removal and winter maintenance.

Well pleased with how Montana Dept. Of Highway makes good use of their money

The Department is not lacking in any area, however they are not exceeding in any area.

Doing fine

Good job on interstate bypasses when construction is going on

Like the passing zone that was put between Big Arm and Polson; need more zones like that on Highway 93 along the lake

Lewistown has highways that are really good.

Keep roads up good

Interstates are good

Keeping the road signs replaced and good maintenance for night drivers, interstate work out of Missoula past two year, paving in Deer Lodge also. Surfacing on 93 between Lolo and Stevensville

They are keeping the roadsides very clean

The highway from Hamilton to Stevensville is under construction and she is glad the power companies are going in first before the highway construction work starts.

Doing a good job

The Department is maintaining the highway smoothness much better.

Keep it in good shape

Keeping roads smooth

Doing a good job

They do an exceptionally good job on highway repairs considering the conditions the road curves are OK

Winter plowing is about it

Winter maintenance is very good at 2:00 am

Roads are in excellent considering our tax base.

Keep rebuilding I-15 north of Great Falls about every two years, maybe they will get it right some day, need more rest areas, and keep all of them open.. cannot think of anything they excel in.

Bridges over Blackfoot and Clark Fork rivers have been well repaired on I 90 east out of Missoula

Very little, as they do not spend the money wisely . They don't realize all of the income we lose by the high gasoline tax in Montana

They do a better job than they need to on snow removal, lots of times I see snow plow going by, and no snow. Print on signs should be bigger than they are. or bigger signs.

Keeping up with the maintenance for the most part, construction. Traffic flows as good as it can, debris is not a big problem

Meets my expectations

Keeping roads clear of animals and debris

Nothing

Nothing

Malta to Billings road is better

Keep the roads in good condition

Do a good job mowing in summer, reflectors replaced. Also do a good job patching pot holes in Lincoln County.

Nothing

Pretty good job

Good road signs

Maintaining the roads

Nothing

Do a good job

The yellow stripes are good

Keep the interstate clean and are trying to do better

They do a good job on the road to Red Lodge

Roadside maintenance is good as well as rest area and highway striping.

The signs are very good

Winter job is good with maintenance, they don't use salt

Interstates meet this person's expectations of maintenance.

In general, they are doing a good job with what they have

Doing their job

They are doing a fine job. Highway 93 from Whitefish to Eureka is new and is a very nice road.

Nothing

Overall the highways are in good condition considering the money available

Nothing

They do very well in maintenance.

Doing very good and the highway patrolmen are also doing a good job

Maintaining the roads is good job

Highways are pretty smooth. Pleased with that.

Nothing

They are doing a good job in repairs when they decide to do it.

They are making more room in the area would like to see extra lanes from Hamilton to Missoula

Doing a good job on the snowplow

Doing a good job for the money they have.

Do really good with what they have to work with

Highways in general meet expectations on all the activities listed.

Do a good job of keeping the roadsides clean

Winter maintenance is quite good.

Nothing

Fixing interstates so they aren't like a washboard.

Lifting the speed limit and maintaining the roads is excellent

Construction and repairing

No response

Keeping the sides of the clear

Plowing on 212 during winter is good.

Highway to Great Falls from Havre was widened

Winter care has been excellent

In general, doing an excellent job

Doing a good job on reporting road conditions

Nothing

All maintenance programs are good, just do not have the personnel to do the work well.

Only 11 people in maintenance in Billings to take care of 250 miles of highway.

Good winter service, also trying to repair and widen some roads.

They try

Montana is the most improved that I have seen in the last 20 years especially the secondary roads, for instance Billings to Great Falls.

Doing a good job

Most everything pretty good

Have no idea

With the money that they have they are doing the best job possible. This is a very populous state and we have a lot of roads

Snow plowing is real good

Excellent job of snow removal

They are doing OK.

Sanding and snow removal is very good

Turning lanes are an asset to the flow of traffic. They work up toward Lost Trail Pass, three lanes are really nice.

Winter road maintenance

Generally the roads are good

Nothing

Good job on resurfacing but need more progress in that area

Good winter maintenance and rest stops are fine.

Rest areas are good, impressed, speed limit like that

They need to spend more money on the eastern part of the state for highway maintenance.

Like the flashing signs because we see them all the time

They are making an endeavor to keep up with things as well as they can with the money they have

Trash etc. picked up pretty good in Lincoln county

They are doing a good job on maintenance

Miles of highway we have in Montana we do a good job

Getting better pavement and doing better work.

Keeping the roads clear in the wintertime.

In the winter they are out there doing the best they can

Very good job of plowing the winter road snow etc.

With our winters they are doing the best that they can do

Nothing comes to mind

Keeping roads in pretty good shape in the summer

Roundup area roadway repairs are excellent

Doing the best they can with what they have to do with financially.

Mowing and weed spray is good.

Doing a good job

Striving to get construction done so not to delay traffic

Overall doing a good job

Doing very well

Driveable roads with minimal problems.

Can't think of anything.

Good job of striping

Overall roads are kept in pretty good shape; something going terribly wrong it gets fixed

Do a good job of removing debris (animals). Construction is well marked.

Roadside maintenance is good, also ice and snow removal is good.

Snow removal is good

Like the sanding of roads in winter, like the new roads, too.

Montana Dept. of Transportation is doing a good job for the size of the state and resources available

Nothing

They do work on the rough parts of highways out of Missoula toward the Idaho border, really do a good job there.

Use some of the left over and donate it to the county, the county roads are awful something should be done about them

Over all do a good job

Snow plowing is good

Roads always clear from Roundup to Billings in winter.

Nothing to say

They do the best they can with available resources

They do pretty good for the size of the state and the amount of funds available.

Doing a good job of regular maintenance. Keeping roads open in winter.

Improved maintenance over the years - plowing has improved

Mowing.

Pretty good overall

They are trying very hard to get the roads in good working condition.

They do a really good job during snow storms, they come out all hours of the night. They do fantastic with their signs and safety cones to direct traffic. Keep up the good work.

Doing okay

Doing very well with the rest areas.

Overall decent

They are doing the best they can with what they have.

Overall strategy for trying to get Montana Highways in better condition they are doing a good job. Four lane highways for instance.

Overall do a good job

Most everything is meeting the needs

Building new roads

Considering our weather conditions they do a very good job

The roads are good

The road information for winter travelers

Doing about as good as they can

Considering the money available they are doing a good job

Trying to keep up

Winter management and snow removal they do excellent job.

The highway general upkeep and maintenance is good, because this is very costly. I am amazed they can keep up with it

Doing a good job.

Doing a good job

All is good

Keep them pretty well maintained, with patching and crack filling. And pretty well painted.

Good job on keeping roads and roadside clean.

Doing a good job on bridges

Interstate cleaning in winter is well done

Stripping is adequate.

They are in decent condition

Keep rest areas clean and roads free of debris

Making more repairs recently

They are doing a good job considering the large area of the state and the mountains.

None

Signs are good

Trash pick up

Western part of state has better highways than the eastern part. Road signs are good and upkeep is good.

Take care of mountain passes very well in winter and it is very much appreciated

